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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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Concurrently filed herewith with a Request for Continued Examination and prior to continued examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A remote photographic processing system, comprising:
a plurality of different photographic processing sites, each having a photographic processing apparatus; and